

## MEDIA ADVISORY

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### Fulton County Government

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## Fulton County Board of Commissioners Proclaims March as Healthy Nutrition Month

**ATLANTA – March 8, 2016** -- The Fulton County Board of Commissioners will issue a proclamation to the County's Department of Health and Wellness Partnerships to Improve Community Health (PICH) Program and the Cooperative Extension Service declaring March as **Healthy Nutrition Month in Fulton County**, during its meeting on Wednesday, March 16, 2016.

We invite you to post this to your online event calendars, cover the ceremony and to interview Health and Wellness Department and Cooperative Extension officials about the programs and initiatives underway to provide greater access to and varieties of healthy food and beverage options for County residents. Details are outlined below.

**WHAT: HEALTHY NUTRITION MONTH IN FULTON COUNTY**  
**Proclamation Presentation Ceremony during Board of Commissioners Meeting**

**WHEN: 10:00 a.m., March 16, 2016**

**WHERE: Assembly Hall**  
**Fulton County Government Center**  
**141 Pryor Street, Atlanta, GA 30303**

**WHO: Fulton County Board Of Commissioners**  
**Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness Officials**  
**Fulton County Cooperative Extension Service Officials**  
**Partnerships to Improve Community Health (PICH) Program Staff and Partners**  
**Cooperative Extension Staff and Partners**

### About the Fulton County PICH Program and Fulton County Cooperative Extension Service

The Fulton County PICH Program is working in partnership with a coalition of government, education, healthcare, corporate, faith-based and non-profit organizations to promote active living; healthy nutrition; tobacco-free living; and walkable, livable communities, as ways to reduce health disparities and the incidence of chronic disease. For more information about the PICH Program, please visit <http://www.fultoncountyga.gov/partnership-to-improve-community-health>

The Fulton County Cooperative Extension programs enrich and improve Fulton County residents' lives by providing culturally appropriate educational programs and interventions for youth and families in nutrition, food safety and preservation through the Supplemental Nutrition Program (SNAP) Education Program and the Expanded Food and Nutrition Program (EFNP). Cooperative Extension implemented the Fulton Fresh Mobile Farmers Market program in 2011 to provide fresh produce and nutrition education in areas identified as food deserts by the USDA at no cost to residents. For more information about Cooperative Extension, please visit <http://www.fultoncountyga.gov/fcced-home>

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